

John Bel Edwards

GOVERNOR

## Proclamation

WHEREAS,

there are 57 million people with disabilities of all ages living in communities throughout the United States, and in Louisiana, 880,047 people ages 5 and older have some kind of a disability; and

WHEREAS,

the disability community has a critical interest in policies enacted at local, state and national levels that effect the integration of people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS,

the involvement of people with disabilities is essential to creating and influencing public policies to ensure these policies meet the real needs of people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS,

"REV Up: Register! Educate! Vote! Use Your Power" is a statewide effort to encourage people with disabilities to register to vote, get educated about the voting process and exercise their voting rights in all elections; and

WHEREAS,

we encourage and support the concerted effort to get individuals with disabilities to become involved in our voting process.

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, John Bel Edwards, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim July 16-20, 2018 as

**DISABILITY VOTER REGISTRATION WEEK** in the State of Louisiana.



In Wilness Whoreof, I have horounto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this <u>16th</u> day of <u>July</u>

**Я.Д**., <u>2018.</u>

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